

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

CHRISTINE SIMS,

No. C 08-05347 WHA

Plaintiff,

v.

**ORDER DISALLOWING
APPEARANCE BY TELEPHONE
AT CASE MANAGEMENT
CONFERENCE AND VACATING
PRIOR ORDER**

NCO FINANCIAL SERVICES,

Defendant.

The Court learned long ago that the Court's telephone equipment is not well suited for telephone conferences. The Court tried this for several years but found the entire experience to be extremely frustrating, namely because lawyers were speaking over each other and over the Court. Nonetheless, in a moment of weakness the Court allowed plaintiff's counsel to appear by telephone, expecting that the other side would appear in person. Now, however, the other side wishes to also appear by telephone. This is not workable and, therefore, both sides must appear in person, like all other counsel throughout the country. The prior order allowing telephone appearance is **VACATED**.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Dated: February 27, 2009.



WILLIAM ALSUP
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE